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(SBU) Pol-EconOff delivered reftel demarche on March 31 to Dr. Jean-Paul Klein, head of the Infectious Diseases Unit at the Ministry of Health and Women, the lead government agency on this matter. In a follow-up conversation on April 3, Klein said that Dr. Hubert Hrabcik, Director General for Public Health, has instructed Dr. Helmut Friza, Health Attache at Austria's Mission to the UN in Geneva, to follow the U.S. lead on this issue on behalf of the EU Presidency. If the draft resolution is deemed unacceptable, the EU will intervene at the World Health Assembly, where Klein said there would be an opportunity to lobby for changes. Klein will represent Austria and the EU Presidency at the World Health Assembly.

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